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### Main Entry: <sup>2</sup>[latch](#)

Function: *noun*

: any of various devices in which mating mechanical parts engage to fasten but usually not to lock something:  
a : a fastener (as for a door) consisting essentially of a pivoted bar that falls into a notch b : a fastener (as for a door) in which a spring slides a bolt into a hole; *also* : **NIGHT LATCH**

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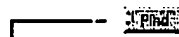
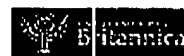
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